

DM-440

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 2 November 1955

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Amory, Col. White, Mr. [redacted],
Messrs Kirkpatrick, [redacted] Sheldon, [redacted],
Mr. [redacted] 25X1A9a 25X1A9a

Mr. Dulles:

Noted that the OCB would discuss the proposed program for cultural exchanges between the [redacted] and [redacted] and said he felt that the amount of funds to support this project (\$650,000.) was too much in his opinion, and this project should be initiated on a much smaller scale. Mr. [redacted] pointed out that the [redacted] are interested in this matter and he saw no objection to the [redacted] lady now in this country on behalf of this program seeing what she could work out with these [redacted] Mr. [redacted] went on to say, however, that CIA could not lend support on a substantial scale since our participation would create quite a [redacted] problem. Mr. Dulles remarked that the [redacted] could be used for this purpose. Mr. [redacted] noted he was not in complete accord with this since [redacted] itself is quite thin.

Mr. [redacted] 25X1A9a 25X1C

Noted we had received a paper from [redacted] respecting the effect of nuclear warfare on [redacted] planning and in this connection recommended that we have another [redacted] on our basic thinking and planning for [redacted] activities. The Director approved and stated that [redacted] should be included in the discussions on this matter. NOTE: Mr. [redacted] will also be present.

Mr. Amory:

Reported that [redacted] DD/I administrative officer in Europe, had strongly recommended that consideration be given to reinstating the fast pouch system. The Director remarked that he too felt we had discontinued this activity too soon. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated he had felt for a long time that CIA should have its own courier service both to Europe and the Far East. It was pointed out that the fast pouch system could not be

considered as a money saving device since CIA is not charged on a message by message basis for cables sent to some stations which are serviced by pouch. ACTION; Col. White undertook to obtain the study prepared by [REDACTED] on the fast pouch system and furnish recommendations to the Director as to whether or not it should be reinstated. 25X1A9a

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